FISCAL NOTE

HB 1061 - SB 1704

April 14, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Makes the following changes to the Water Quality Control Act:

- Increases the time period to request a hearing before the board from 30 days to 45 days after the order is served.
- Provides during any period in which the federal government is unable to
 exercise its responsibilities relative to effluents because of inadequate
 funds to operate the appropriate regulatory agencies, the state shall
 assume all such responsibility until such time as the federal
 government is able to exercise its responsibilities.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes any increase in expenditures to the Department of Environment and Conservation can be handled with existing staff and resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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